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SUMMARY. PEOPLE'S DAILY HAS TAKEN A FIRM STAND TO EMPHASIZE PRODUCTION'S PRIMACY IN THE REVOLUTION-PRODUCTION BALANCE AND, IN DOING SO, HAS INDICATED THE MODERATES' CURRENT DOMINANCE AT THE CENTER. END SUMMARY.

1. A PEOPLE'S DAILY (SEPTEMBER 15) ARTICLE AND COMMENTARY ON THE KAILUNA COAL MINE (HOPEI) APPEARS TO INDICATE THE CURRENT DOMINANCE OF THE MODERATES IN THE CENTRAL LEADERSHIP. MOST STRIKINGLY, THE COMMENTARY CHANGES THE USUAL REFERENCE TO THE MOVEMENT AS A MOTIVATING FORCE TO PROMOTE PRODUCTION BY STATING "WHETHER AN AREA OR AN ENTERPRISE CAN FULFILL OR OVERFULFILL STATE PLANS SHOULD SERVE AS THE CRITERION TO DETERMINE WHETHER

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THEY HAVE DONE WELL IN CRITICIZING LIN PIAO AND CONFUCIUS."

2. THE ARTICLE FURTHER GIVES HIGH PRAISE TO ACHIEVEMENTS AT THE MINE WHICH ARE CLAIMED AS THE RESULT OF "STRENGTHENED REVOLUTIONARY UNITY." IT EMPHASIZES THE EFFORTS BY THE MINE'S PARTY LEADERSHIP GROUP TO ACHIEVE UNITY AND OPPOSE FACTIONALISM THROUGH SHOULDERING RESPONSIBILITY FOR MISTAKES RATHER THAN BLAMING OTHERS. THE ARTICLE CONCLUDES THAT, BECAUSE OF THIS FINE LEADERSHIP AND PROMOTING OF REVOLUTIONARY UNITY, THE MASS MOVEMENT TO PROMOTE PRODUCTION HAS ACHIEVED OUTSTANDING RESULTS. THE COMMENTARY EXTOLLS THESE CONTRIBUTIONS AND REFERS TO KAILUAN AS A MODEL TO BE EMULATED BY ALL AREAS.

3. COMMENT. THE SHIFT TO EMPHASIZE PRODUCTION--WHICH BECAME MOST FORCEFUL WITH THE PROMULGATION OF DOCUMENT 21--HAS NOW REACHED A HIGHPOINT OF ATTENTION AND THE EVALUATION OF SUCCESS IN THE MOVEMENT BY PRODUCTION OUTPUT IS SURE TO GIVE THE MOVEMENT'S LEFTIST SPONSORS ACUTE DISTRESS. THE PEOPLE'S DAILY PIECE UNDERSCORES THAT THE CENTER LEADERSHIP'S VIEW OF THE REVOLUTION-PRODUCTION BALANCE HAS SHIFTED AWAY FROM THE LEFT AND THAT REGIME CONCERN WITH THE MOVEMENT'S EFFECT ON PRODUCTION HAS RESULTED IN THIS SHIFT. THIS ARTICLE IS ALSO THE STRONGEST ONE IN RECENT MONTHS ON REVOLUTIONARY UNITY AND IS CLEAR EVIDENCE THAT THE REGIME IS CONCERNED WITH BREAKING THE FACTIONALISM BROUGHT ON EARLIER BY THE CRITICISM MOVEMENT.

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